



CRP-OCS Monthly Meeting
Tuesday August 15th, 2023
Via Zoom

MEETING NOTES

Tuesday, Aug 15, 2023

CRP:

Retchenda George-Bettisworth, Chair
Lucinda Alexie, Vice Chair
Cameron Adams
Kimberlee Saunders
Trevor Storrs
Colin Underwood

OCS Representative:

Kim Guay, Director OCS
Travis Erickson, Division Operations Manager

Coordinator Staff:

Denali Daniels
Hannah Laird

Ombudsman

Elizabeth Jenkins in attendance for Jacob Carbaugh

Public:

None

- Call to order (Chair)
 - **Retchenda** called the meeting to order at 12:04 pm
- Roll Call (Coordinator)
 - As above
- Annual Meeting Notes (Chair)
 - **Cameron motioned to approve the 2023 Annual Meeting Notes with the edit to correct the spelling of "Elizabeth Shea" Lucinda seconded the motion.**
 - **No further discussion. 2023 Annual Meeting Notes have been approved.**

- Workplan: OCS Year to Come (OCS Leadership)
 - **Travis Erickson** reported workforce should remain a priority, and turnover is still at 50%. He doesn't want to suggest that other areas shouldn't be prioritized but that workforce is still critical.
 - **Director Guay** agreed with Travis on workforce but noted that OCS is also focusing on subtopics such as
 - Gender inequity (OCS workers are predominantly women)
 - Pay parity & quality of service delivery
 - OCS is now comprised of 40% non-degree employees
 - Director Guay also noted that OCS wants to expand a similar program like the Sharp program to incentivize employment.
 - PR training to communicate OCS successes better
 - Stand up a placement search and support unit to help foster families/relative providers
 - Implement a paradigm shift for foster licensing
 - Collaborate with a parent advisory committee partnership with third party
 - Increase licensed foster, medical & ICWA homes, improvements towards exiting children from care
- A discussion was held about the importance of systems-level work and the potential for the Panel to pool resources with other organizations in their work this year.
- Fall Retreat Discussion (Chair)
 - Scheduled for September 18th
 - **Retchenda** asked who would like to travel. There were no responses at the time.
 - **Retchenda** asked the Panel if they wanted to cancel the monthly September 19th meeting.
 - It was decided to keep the September 19th meeting
- Recruitment & Board Matrix Discussion (Chair)
 - It was decided to add this item to the Fall Retreat agenda
- Other Panel Business - Questions? (Chair)
 - Travis asked if the Panel could continue focusing on a small community by community basis as he felt that approach is very effective
- Public comment**
 - No public was in attendance
- Adjourn (Chair)
 - The chair adjourned the meeting at 1:01pm

***Public testimony occurs at the end of the agenda; however, agenda topics do not have specified times. We encourage members of the public to listen to the entire meeting to hear the discussions of the CRP members.*